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Title: **METHOD OF DYNAMICALLY ALTERING GRAMMARS IN A MEMORY EFFICIENT SPEECH RECOGNITION SYSTEM**

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<u>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</u>

Please amend the above-identified patent application, as follows:

<u>IN THE CLAIMS</u>

Please amend claims 1, 11, 18, and 34 as shown below. The claims are "clean version" of the amended claims, i.e., with changes incorporated into the claims, whereas the Appendix to this Amendment illustrates the amended claims using underlines and brackets to indicate addition and deletion, respectively.

1.   A method for allocating memory in a speech recognition system comprising the steps of:

acquiring a first set of data structures that contain a grammar, a word subgrammar, a phone subgrammar and a state subgrammar, each of the subgrammars related to the grammar, wherein each of said subgrammers contains a plurality of elements;

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